

This Man Is Worth To
Iowa People.

REAL ART OF RAISING CORN

SHOWN THE FARMERS BY AN
EXPERT AGRONOMIST.

THEY FOLLOWED HIS ADVICE.

The State of Iowa has been paying \$5,000 a year for the last two years to a man who in the last twelve months has earned \$10,000, says a Sioux City telegram to the New York Herald. His name is Prof. P. G. Holden. He is an agronomist.

Iowa farmers laughed at the idea of a man with such a title trying to teach them, the best corn growers in the world, anything about the art of raising corn. But they do not laugh now. Instead they flock by the hundreds to hear Prof. Holden talk, and they go away armed with a new idea. As a result, in large part, of following his advice, they have raised about one hundred million bushels more corn this year than in any year of this century, and they expect to add another hundred bushels to their crop next year.

Professor Holden became an agronomist that day he stepped into a college by accident. When he taught school in Michigan he got up a corn-growing contest among his pupils. He induced the boys to pick out the ear of corn, the biggest and most perfect ears from the fields, save them and plant from them the next and following year. The result, added by scientific methods of cultivation, was that the boys raised more corn on their little patches than anybody had ever dreamed of.

Becomes Farmer.

Professor Holden worked on his system until it was perfected. His farm spread, and the Funk brothers, who own a 25,000-acre farm in Illinois, offered him a big salary to run it. He planted 20,000 acres of corn a year for them, and added to their yield more than one hundred bushels to the acre the first year. The State of Iowa thought he was a good thing and engaged him to occupy the chair of agronomy in the Iowa Agricultural College in Ames. The chair was created especially for him.

Professor Holden made the farmers believe after a time that he knew more about corn raising than they did. He traveled all over the State in special trains last year and winter, making "tail end" speeches and getting better crowds than any Vice President candidate saw later in the season. He told the farmers how to select their seed corn, how to plant and cultivate it, and what sort of ground to plant different sorts of corn and how to handle it under different conditions.

Iowa had not been raising good corn crops for several years. The farmers were discouraged. Iowa was in danger of losing her place as the first corn State, and the State was in danger of the engagement of Prof. Holden in the Agricultural College.

Prof. Holden invites farmers to go to Ames to see him and attend his school of seed corn selection and germination. They go by hundreds, and the school is a success. The result of the school is that the farmers have selected their seed corn, and the result is that the State of Iowa has raised more corn this year than in any year of this century, and Prof. Holden is universally credited with the third interest in the extra yield.

Evidence of Success.

Evidence in the professor's favor is overwhelming. The counties in which he made speeches did better than the others. Those in which he made the largest audiences did best of all. There are fields, worked under careful application of his methods, which have produced 100 bushels to the acre. Those with eighty bushels are frequent, and sixty-five bushels is a common yield.

Every farmer is reading Holden's latest tract, selecting his earliest and best ears of corn for seed, testing his seed corn, and, in general, acting in accordance with the advice given in his tract. Those with eighty bushels are frequent, and sixty-five bushels is a common yield.

Cotton On the Tobacco.

New Orleans, Dec. 1.—Cotton continued down today. The quotations at 12 o'clock showed a decline of from 30 to 32 points on the active months—January, March and May. For that time in two years the cotton has been down 30 to 32 cents. January was as low as 84c.

Brokers Close Their Doors.

Pittsburg, Pa., Dec. 1.—Richmond & Company, incorporated brokers, closed their doors today. The following notice was given to their customers: "On account of financial embarrassment, no further business will be transacted by this company until further notice."

Glass Factory Resumes.

Petersburg, Ind., Dec. 1.—After an idleness of six months the glass factory in the tank of the Carter Glass Company. Gas producers have been installed and the plant enlarged so that when it opens full force next week 300 men will find employment.

Treasury Statement.

Washington, Dec. 1.—To-day's statement of the treasury balances in the general fund, showed a balance of \$100,000,000. Available cash balance, \$143,344,658; gold, \$33,812,615.

Illinois Central Bond Sale.

New York, Dec. 1.—The reported sale of \$12,000,000 3 1/2 per cent. first mortgage bonds of the Illinois Central Railroad Company to Speyer & Co. and Keith, Loeb & Co. was confirmed today. The price paid is not disclosed.

Final Installment Paid.

New York, Dec. 1.—The final 50 per cent. installment on the \$400,000,000 Pacific Company was paid today.

Real Estate Transfers.

B. P. Guthrie's trustees to Cong. Adolph J. Smith, 300 West Third, 34th St. West, Brooklyn, N.Y., \$11,000. J. P. D. Smith, 300 West Third, 34th St. West, Brooklyn, N.Y., \$11,000. J. P. D. Smith, 300 West Third, 34th St. West, Brooklyn, N.Y., \$11,000.

St. Louis Wool.

St. Louis, Dec. 1.—Wool from and light medium, combining and lighting 230 to 240; heavy fine 140 to 150; tub-washed 270 to 280.

London Sheepskins Sale.

London, Dec. 1.—A sale of sheepskins was held in London today. The offerings amounted to 4,750 skins. The attendance was good. The market was active. The prices were as follows: 1st quality, 14 to 15; 2nd quality, 12 to 13; 3rd quality, 10 to 11.

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31.59 - JAS. S. RAY, 204 acres, \$15.35
31.363 - JOHN REDDISH, 96 acres, \$15.35
31.374 MRS. ELIZA SAUNDISTER
RICE, 24 acres, \$27.25.
31.388 - JOHN ROGERS, 30x100 ft. adj.
Schmiedel, \$7.75
31.390 - HIRSH ROOKSBY, 12-3 acre,
\$2.81.
31.406 - ELIZABETH RUHLA, 1268-100
acres, \$3.91
31.407 - FRED BUSH, 50x200 ft. s e Cove,
e of Cotol. \$1.42
31.413 - FRANK SAUER, 30x200 ft., River
road, \$1.88
31.416 - R. N. SAXON, 100x157 ft. e s Va.
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31.418 - ROSINA SCHOEITZLER, 100x150
ft., Brownsville road, \$2.30
31.422 - JOYNT M. SCHORN, lots 8, 9, 10
blk D Res Park, \$8.89.
31.424 - CATH. SCHULZ, lot 8, blk 15,
Berwice add, \$2.30
31.460 - S. C. SESSION, lot 2, blk 3, Cher-
okee ct, \$1.65
31.467 - O. SHANKS, 87-110x175 ft. s
Bluck, 100 ft. n of Pen. \$7.15
31.466 - CAROLINE SMARALL, 4 1/2 acres,
\$8.26
31.468 - DINAH STARR, 20x175 ft. w
St. Clair, 629 ft n of Abie, \$3.52.

